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Art Unit	1653
Examiner Name	Schnizer, Holly G.
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
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- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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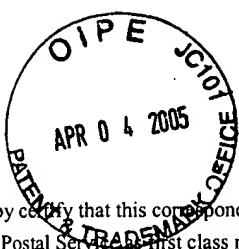
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1.114

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 5, 2004 on the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully submit this Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. A Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 by Dr. Peter Turecek and a petition for a three-month extension of time to extend the period of response to on or before April 5, 2005 accompanies this Request for Continued Examination.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Appl. No. 09/424,498

Amdt. dated April 1, 2005

Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 Expedited Procedure

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**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.